

ACDBE, Title VI and Beyond

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What we hope to accomplish

- General overview of the law
 - ACDBE
 - Title VI
- Recent developments in ACDBE arena
- Recent developments in Title VI arena
- Consider mere compliance vs. encouraging small and minority businesses – models for consideration









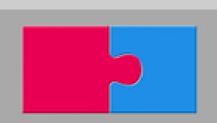
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DBE... one topic, two parts

- Part 26 (49 CFR Part 26)
 United States Dept. of Transportation
- Part 23 (49 CFR Part 23)

US DOT (administered by Federal Aviation Administration)











- ACDBE Airport Concession Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – see 49 CFR Part 23
- DBE Disadvantaged Business Enterprise see 49 CFR Part 26
- Part VI from the Civil Rights Act of 1964
 - Originally prohibits discrimination on basis of race, color, national origin
 - Amended to add additional protected classes over time

Which airports are required to have an ACDBE program?

- Primary airports that receive Airport Improvement Program grants
- An ACDBE program is required as a condition of grant funding



What are the objectives of the USDOT ACDBE program?

- To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of *opportunities for concessions* by airport sponsors receiving DOT financial assistance
- To create a level playing field on which ACDBEs can compete fairly for opportunities for concessions
- To ensure that the Department's *ACDBE* program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law



What is an airport concession?

- A for-profit business that is located on an airport or conducts "covered activities" on an airport such as maintaining advertising displays
- Engaged in the sale of consumer goods or services to the <u>travelling</u> public**
- Has an agreement with an airport owner or another concessionaire

****** Pending NPRM clarifies this







Not covered / not a concession





What is an airport concession? (continued)

• Examples: restaurants, retail and specialty shops and kiosks, taxi and limo services, shuttle services, rental car services, mail and shipment services, luggage cart services, hotels, personal services (i.e. shoe shine and day spas), banking & currency exchange services, web-based and electronic services (i.e. Wi-Fi), vending machines, medical clinics, gas stations, goods and services firms that supply concessionaires (i.e. food wholesalers and consulting firms), and management contracts for activities that take place on the airport (i.e. parking

facility or passenger lounge management contractors).



What is an ACDBE program?

- Must be described in a written document that meets regulatory requirements of Part 23 – submit to FAA
- Explains how the airport sponsor will implement the ACDBE program at its airport(s)
- Sponsor must implement program in accordance with plan
- Identifies the ACDBE liaison officer (ACDBELO)...
- In coordination with <u>other</u> appropriate officials





The ACDBELO is responsible for:

- 1. Developing
- 2. Implementing and
- 3. Monitoring the ACDBE program

What is the role of the ACDBELO (continued)

<u>Coordination</u>!

Program development and goal-setting processes

- Solicitation and contract language requirements
- Ensuring appropriate monitoring is happening
- Ensuring prior FAA approval is sought for long term, exclusive (LTE) concessions agreements before execution
- Ensuring organization understands what is considered a concession for Part 23
- Contact person regarding program for FAA and community





ACDBE overall participation goals

Two Goal Types:

- Car rental (passenger vehicle rental)
- Non-car rental (retail, food service, parking, etc.)

General Goal Requirements:

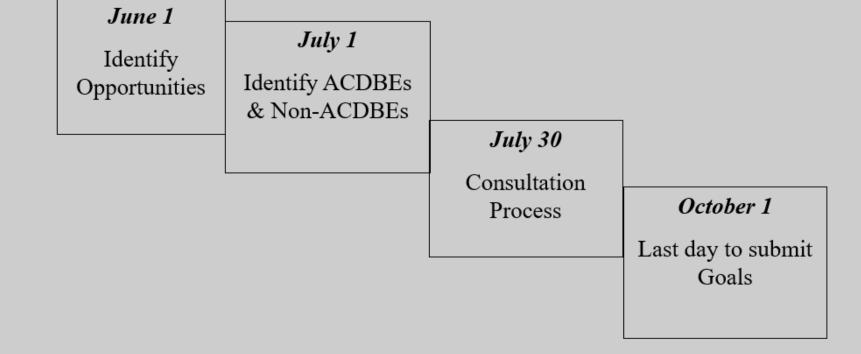
- Based on total gross receipts
- Revenue threshold >\$200,000 annually.
- Updated every 3 years
- Goal achievements periodically reviewed
- Analyze and plan to rectify goal shortfalls

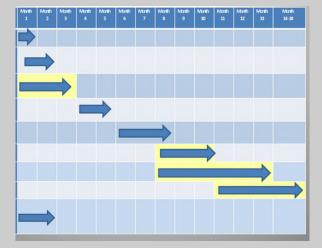




Timing / Project Timeline

• AC/DBE Timeline





ACDBE Monitoring

- Contract review
 - JV Agreements
 - Loan agreements
 - Other agreements among parties
- On-site visits
- Joint venture monitoring
- Terminations / substitutions



Reporting requirements

- Report by March 1:
 - Car rental and non car rental ACDBE participation
- List of participating certified ACDBEs
- FAA Civil Rights Connect
- <u>https://faa.civilrightsconnect.com</u>

Resources available

- Your CEO should have direct access!
- <u>Sample ACDBE Program</u>
- Joint Venture Guidance
- Principles for Evaluating Long-Term, Exclusive Lease Agreements
- Car Rental Companies Good Faith Efforts Requirements
- Guidance for the Uniform Report
- Official Q&A's for Part 23
- <u>ACDBE Goal Shortfall Analysis</u>

Direct FAA support – it is out there!





Title VI

• Grant Assurances

- What's the #1 rule...don't forget about #1!
 - Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
 - (race, color, national origin)
- Special bonus material:
 - Rehabilitation Act of 1975
 - Age Discrimination Act of 1990
 - Executive Orders
 - Executive Order 11246 (affirmative action)



Panel discussion







Questions?





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